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[Report No. 116-542]

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide best practices on student suicide awareness and prevention training and condition State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and tribal educational agencies receiving funds under section 520A of such Act to establish and implement a school-based student suicide awareness and prevention training policy.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 2020

Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. DEUTCH, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

Additional sponsors: Ms. WILD, Mr. KATKO, Mr. SOTO, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. VARGAS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. NEGUSE, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. ROUDA, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. TRONE, Mr. RYAN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. UPTON, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CRIST, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. VAN DREW, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. LUJÁN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. DEAN, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. ROSE of New York, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Mr. LIPINSKI

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[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 22, 2020]

# A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### **3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4        *This Act may be cited as the “Suicide Training and*  
5 *Awareness Nationally Delivered for Universal Prevention*  
6 *Act of 2020” or the “STANDUP Act of 2020”.*

**7 SEC. 2. STUDENT SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION**

**8 TRAINING.**

9           (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Title V of the Public Health Service  
10 Act is amended by inserting after section 520A of such Act  
11 (42 U.S.C. 290bb–32) the following:

**12 "SEC. 520B. STUDENT SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVEN-**

**13 TION TRAINING POLICIES.**

14       “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—As a condition on receipt of funds  
15 under section 520A, each State educational agency, local  
16 educational agency, and Tribal educational agency that re-  
17 ceives such funds, directly or through a State or Indian  
18 Tribe, for activities to be performed within secondary  
19 schools, including the Project AWARE State Education  
20 Agency Grant Program, shall—

“(1) establish and implement a school-based student suicide awareness and prevention training policy;

“(2) consult with stakeholders (including principals, teachers, parents, local Tribal officials, and

1       other school leaders) in the development of the policy  
2       under subsection (a)(1); and

3               “(3) collect and report information in accord-  
4       ance with subsection (c).

5       “(b) *SCHOOL-BASED STUDENT SUICIDE AWARENESS*  
6       *AND PREVENTION TRAINING POLICY.*—A school-based stu-  
7       dent suicide awareness and prevention training policy im-  
8       plemented pursuant to subsection (a)—

9               “(1) shall be evidence-based;

10               “(2) shall be culturally and linguistically appro-  
11       priate;

12               “(3) shall provide evidence-based training to stu-  
13       dents in grades 6 through 12, in coordination with  
14       school-based mental health service providers as de-  
15       fined in section 4102(6) of the Elementary and Sec-  
16       ondary Education Act of 1965, if applicable, regard-  
17       ing—

18               “(A) suicide education and awareness, in-  
19       cluding warning signs of self-harm or suicidal  
20       ideation;

21               “(B) methods that students can use to seek  
22       help for themselves and others; and

23               “(C) student resources for suicide awareness  
24       and prevention;

1           “(4) shall provide for retraining of such students  
2        every school year;

3           “(5) may last for such period as the State edu-  
4        cational agency, local educational agency, or Tribal  
5        educational agency involved determines to be appro-  
6        priate;

7           “(6) may be implemented through any delivery  
8        method, including in-person trainings, digital  
9        trainings, or train-the-trainer models; and

10          “(7) may include discussion of comorbidities or  
11        risk factors for suicidal ideation or self-harm, includ-  
12        ing substance misuse, sexual or physical abuse, men-  
13        tal illness, or other evidence-based comorbidities and  
14        risk factors.

15          “(c) *COLLECTION OF INFORMATION AND REPORT-*  
16 *ING.—Each State educational agency, local educational*  
17 *agency, and Tribal educational agency that receives funds*  
18 *under section 520A shall, with respect to each school served*  
19 *by the agency, collect and report to the Secretary the fol-*  
20 *lowing information:*

21          “(1) *The number of student trainings conducted.*

22          “(2) *The number of students trained,*  
23 *disaggregated by age and grade level.*

24          “(3) *The number of help-seeking reports made by*  
25 *students after implementation of such policy.*

1       “(d) EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAM LISTING.—The Sec-  
2 retary of Health and Human Services shall coordinate with  
3 the Secretary of Education to make publicly available the  
4 policies established by State educational agencies, local edu-  
5 cational agencies, and Tribal educational agencies pursu-  
6 ant to this section and the training that is available to stu-  
7 dents and teams pursuant to such policies, including identi-  
8 fication of whether such training is available to trainees  
9 at no cost.

10     “(e) IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE.—A State edu-  
11 cational agency, local educational agency, or Tribal edu-  
12 cational agency shall establish and begin implementation  
13 of the policies required by subsection (a)(1) not later than  
14 the beginning of the third fiscal year following the date of  
15 enactment of this section for which the agency receives funds  
16 under section 520A.

17     “(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section and section 520B–  
18 1:

19       “(1) The term ‘evidence-based’ has the meaning  
20 given to such term in section 8101 of the Elementary  
21 and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

22       “(2) The term ‘local educational agency’ has the  
23 meaning given to such term in section 8101 of the El-  
24 ementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

“(3) The term ‘State educational agency’ has the meaning given to such term in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

4                   “(4) The term ‘Tribal educational agency’ has  
5                   the meaning given to the term ‘tribal educational  
6                   agency’ in section 6132 of the Elementary and Sec-  
7                   ondary Education Act of 1965.

10        "*The Secretary of Health and Human Services, in*  
11 *consultation with the Secretary of Education and the Bu-*  
12 *reau of Indian Education, shall—*

“(1) publish best practices for school-based student suicide awareness and prevention training, pursuant to section 520B, that are based on—

16                   “(A) evidence-based practices; and

17                   “(B) input from relevant Federal agencies,  
18                   national organizations, Indian Tribes and Trib-  
19                   al organizations, and related stakeholders;

“(2) publish guidance, based on the best practices under paragraph (1), to provide State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and Tribal educational agencies with information on student suicide awareness and prevention best practices;

1           “(3) disseminate such best practices to State edu-  
2        cational agencies, local educational agencies, and  
3        Tribal educational agencies; and

4           “(4) provide technical assistance to State edu-  
5        cational agencies, local educational agencies, and  
6        Tribal educational agencies.”.

7 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8        *The amendments made by this Act shall only apply*  
9        *with respect to applications for assistance under section*  
10      *520A of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 290bb–*  
11      *32) that are submitted after the date of enactment of this*  
12      *Act.*



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